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SUBJECT: US POSITION ON ISRAELI SUSPENSION ISSUE

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B) STATE 170841

1. AMBASSADOR DELIVERED CONTENTS REF B IN AIDE MEMOIRE TO
MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS SADEQ ASH SHAR
AUGUST 2 AND DISCUSSED SUBJECT IN WIDER CONTEXT OF POINTS
COVERED IN SECRETARY'S MILWAUKEE SPEECH (REF A) AMBASSADOR
EMPHASIZED PROBLEMS FOR UN SYSTEM CAUSE BY RIGID THIRD
WORLD STANCE ON VARIETY OF ISSUES AND HE WANTED OF THREAT
TO UN'S FUTURE AND US ROLE IN IT POSED BY MOVES TO EXPELL
ISRAEL OR SUSPEND ITS MEMBERSHIP ILLEGALLY SERIOUS US
DOMESTIC REACTION REFERRED TO IN EVENT ISRAEL STEAMROLLED.
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2. CHAR' NOTED GOJ APPRECIATED LARGER ISSUES INVOLVED
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IN ISRAELI UN MEMBERSHIP QUESTION AND EXPRESSED HOPE

"WAY COULD BE FOUND OUT OF MAZE" IN NEW YORK. HE OBSERVED THAT RECENT ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE STARTED OFF WITH SOMEWHAT MODERATE APPROACH TO THE QUESTION BUT IT BECAME DIFFICULT FOR ANY ARAB STATE NOT TO GO ALONG WITH EXTREMISTS ONCE MATTER DEBATED SOLELY IN ABSOLUTE TERMS OF ISRAELI WRONGS AGAINST ARAB RIGHTS. WITHOUT OFFERING BASIS FOR HIS EXPECTATION SHAR'S HAD SEEMINGLY ROSE COLORED HUNCH THAT THINGS MIGHT BE DIFFERENT IN NEW YORK OBSERVING THAT "PEOPLE KEEP CHANGING THEIR MINDS" AND THAT ANY STEP TOWARD PEACE IN REGION WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

3. COMMENT: WHILE GOJ FROM PM RIFAI ON DOWN IS SYMPATHETIC AND REASONABLE OF THIS QUESTION IT IS TOO MUCH TO EXPECT AND INDEED JORDAN WILL NOT GET OUT IN FRONT OF OTHER ARABS ON THIS ISSUE. BEST WE CAN EXPECT IS HARD BEHIND SCENES LOBBYING AND EFFORTS TO WORK WITH ANY MODERATE CONSENSUS THAT MIGHT EMERGE. SHOULD EGYPTIANS BE PREPARED TO TAKE SOME LEADERSHIP AMONG ARABS IN A MODERATE STAND ON ISRAELI EXPULSION BELIEVE GOJ WITH SOME PERSUASION FROM US WOULD JOIN IN AND HELP IN SPITE OF NEW CLOSE ORIENTATION TOWARD SYRIAN WHICH IS DEVELOPING RAPIDLY. END SUMMARY. PICKERING

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